



Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

TRIBAL ELECTION BOARD

Carol Quinones, Chairperson (2021)

Melissa Shomin, Vice-Chairperson (2019)

Jon Shawa, Treasurer (2021)

Carla Osawamick, Secretary (2019)

Alice Hughes, Board Member (2021)

Monday, February 18, 2019

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Quinones at 5:07 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Carol Quinones, Chairperson	Present
Melissa Shomin, Vice-Chairperson	Present
Carla Osawamick, Secretary	Present
Jon Shawa, Treasurer	Present
Alice Hughes, Board Member	Present

Quorum present.

GUESTS: Carol McFall, Sharon Sierzputowski, Kathryn McGraw.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Informally, guests asked how many candidate petitions were received, and were told that 16 were received. Once they were told that the Election Board could not report on the names of candidates, they left the meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion made by Vice-Chairperson Shomin and supported by Board Member Hughes to accept the agenda as amended.

Motion read back by Secretary Osawamick.

5 Yeas 0 Nays 0 Abstained 0 Absent

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Secretary Osawamick and supported by Vice-Chairperson Shomin to table approval of minutes until the next regular meeting on March 2, 2019.

Motion read back by Secretary Osawamick.

5 Yeas 0 Nays 0 Abstained 0 Absent

Motion carried.

REPORTS

None at this time.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Priority activity of meeting was to verify signatures on Candidate Nomination Petitions. 16 Candidate Nomination Petitions were received by the deadline of 5:00 pm on 2/18/19. The minimum of 25 valid signatures of LTBB Registered Voters was verified for each of the 16 Candidate Nomination Petitions.

Motion made by Secretary Osawamick and supported by Chairperson Quinones to acknowledge that at a regularly scheduled Election Board meeting held on 2/18/19 at which 16 Candidate Nomination Petition packets were received by 5:00 pm for the 2019 Primary Election. A minimum of 25 valid Registered Voter signatures were verified for each petition. The Election Board will certify said petitions pending successful outcomes of criminal background checks.

Motion read back by Secretary Osawamick.

5 Yeas 0 Nays 0 Abstained 0 Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Vice-Chairperson Shomin and supported by Board Member Hughes to authorize Election Board Treasurer, Jon Shawa, to act as point of contact for Election Board's IChat account, which is utilized for background checks on candidates for elected positions.

Motion read back by Secretary Osawamick.

Roll Call Vote: Board Member Hughes-yes, Treasurer Shawa-abstained, Secretary Osawamick-yes, Vice-Chairperson Shomin-yes, Chairperson Quinones-yes.

Motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS

Motion made by Vice-Chairperson Shomin and supported by Treasurer Shawa to officially acknowledge the request for an Initiative Petition submitted on January 28, 2019 by Tribal Citizen Renee Dillard. The Election Board will notify Ms. Dillard that after careful consideration and advisement from legal counsel, it has been determined the Initiative process cannot be utilized by Tribal Members seeking Constitutional Amendments.

Motion read back by Secretary Osawamick.

5 Yeas 0 Nays 0 Abstained 0 Absent.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Board Member Hughes and supported by Treasurer Shawa to approve changes to the Election Board webpage as presented in mock format by Secretary Osawamick, and to authorize Secretary Osawamick to act as the Election Board contact for MIS and the LTBB tribal website.

Motion read back by Secretary Osawamick.

5 Yeas 0 Nays 0 Abstained 0 Absent

Motion carried.

NEXT WORK SESSION/MEETING


Work Session: Friday, March 1, 2019, 5:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting: Saturday, March 2, 2019, 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned by Chairperson Quinones at 11:30 a.m.

These minutes have been read and are approved as corrected/written.

	03-02-19
Carla Osawamick, Election Board Secretary	Date